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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO STATE 114736 - WFP NEEDS FOR SOUTHEAST CAR

REF: A. A - 09 BANGUI 236

[1](#)B. REF: B - 09 STATE 114736

[1](#)C. REF: C - 09 BANGUI 237

[1](#)1. (U) This cable contains an action request (See paragraph 4).

[1](#)2. (U) The World Food Program (WFP) in the Central African Republic (CAR) needs additional funding to provide food and other assorted commodities for 20,000 unexpected internally displaced people (IDP) and refugees stemming from Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) activities in the southeast of the country (Ref A). The WFP is meeting immediate needs from local stocks, but does not have adequate resources to serve these new IDPs and refugees as well as the over 150,000 other IDP's in the CAR over the longer term. In response to Ref B, AmEmbassy Bangui submits the following information:

-- The WFP plans to deliver assorted commodities for 5,000 beneficiaries in Zemio, CAR due to the recent influx of refugees and the creation of IDPs. The total quantity, 83 metric tons, at standard WFP cost, is USD 124,000. This dollar figure will be recurrent for the near future.

-- The same LRA activity has caused internal displacement and refugees near Obo, CAR. The WFP estimates it will need USD 315,000 for 15,000 people per month. This dollar figure will be recurrent for the near future.

-- The WFP states that these numbers are contingent upon the caseloads in the two locations remaining even, but it is unclear to Post that the volatile situation in the southeast will

stabilize any time soon.

¶3. (U) The WFP reports that it currently has no money for the unforeseen needs of Zemio and Obo and is using food stocks previewed for other locations in the CAR. There is very little food available on the local market, but the Program has obtained 200 metric tons of food stock to be processed at a local manufacturer, HUSACA.

¶4. (U) ACTION REQUEST: Post requests the Department make a contribution to cover the first six months worth of food stocks - USD 2,634,000- to help the WFP alleviate its emergency needs with a reevaluation being made in May 2010.

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